## **Excerpt from Senate Bill 444**

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- (f) The governing boards shall determine those
- 28 projects that will be selected for financial assistance. The
- 29 governing boards may establish factors to determine project
- 30 funding; however, significant weight shall be given to the
- 31 <u>following factors:</u>

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- 1 1. Whether the project provides substantial
- 2 environmental benefits by preventing or limiting adverse water
- 3 resource impacts.
- 4 2. Whether the project reduces competition for water
- 5 supplies.
- 6 3. Whether the project brings about replacement of
- 7 traditional sources in order to help implement a minimum flow
- 8 or level or a reservation.
- 9 4. Whether the project will be implemented by a

10	consumptive	use	permittee	that	has	achieved	the	targets

- 11 contained in a goal-based water conservation program approved
- 12 pursuant to s. 373.227.
- 13 5. The quantity of water supplied by the project as
- 14 compared to its cost.
- 15 6. Projects in which the construction and delivery to
- 16 end users of reuse water is a major component.
- 7. Whether the project will be implemented by a
- 18 multijurisdictional water supply entity or regional water
- 19 supply authority.
- 20 (g) Additional factors to be considered in determining
- 21 project funding shall include:
- 1. Whether the project is part of a plan to implement
- 23 two or more alternative water supply projects, all of which
- 24 will be operated to produce water at a uniform rate for the
- 25 participants in a multijurisdictional water supply entity or
- 26 regional water supply authority.
- 27 2. The percentage of project costs to be funded by the
- 28 water supplier or water user.
- 29 3. Whether the project proposal includes sufficient
- 30 preliminary planning and engineering to demonstrate that the

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- 1 project can reasonably be implemented within the timeframes
- 2 provided in the regional water supply plan.
- 3 4. Whether the project is a subsequent phase of an
- 4 alternative water supply project that is underway.
- 5. Whether and in what percentage a local government
- 6 or local government utility is transferring water supply
- 7 system revenues to the local government general fund in excess
- 8 of reimbursements for services received from the general fund,
- 9 including direct and indirect costs and legitimate payments in
- 10 <u>lieu of taxes.</u>